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Going from bad to worse
is a short journey.

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POINT COMMERCIAL CLUB HOLDS ROUSING MEETING

Discussion of Old and New Projects Arouses Much Interest—Big Cannery Coming Committees at Work

The Point Richmond Commercial Club met in regular session last night at the office of the secretary, H. G. Stidham. There were present a good attendance of prominent men of the west side of the city and considerable enthusiasm was manifest over the progress made upon several projects now in embryo.

In the reports of the various committees it was brought out that the industrial agent of the Santa Fe has assured the club that the tracts of land owned by the company separating the west and east side of the city can be obtained for industrial purposes by the right parties on favorable long time leases. This is in effect almost equivalent to a grant of the land and is very important to the whole city. The committees are now at work with a view of obtaining industrial plants to occupy this vacant land.

Among other projects in view for this purpose is one of the largest canning companies in the West, and while the club deems it inadvisable at this time to mention names and circumstances, which might work to the disadvantage of the city, it can be stated that splendid progress has been made in the past two weeks with this company. The committee had the representative of the cannery project as a visitor here on several occasions recently and have shown him various sites in many sections of the city, including one in the northern part of town. He seems inclined to favor the Santa Fe land, however, because of its proximity to the municipal tunnel, municipal wharf and the water front, and because of the fact that the Sacramento river boats can deliver there thousands of tons of fruit and vegetables from the San Joaquin valley sections which will be required by the cannery. The general agent was also taken by the committee into the interior of this county and made thoroughly acquainted with the fruit and vegetable situation of this section. A number of prominent men of the eastern part of the city have joined hands with the Point Commercial club and are rendering valuable assistance, among them being enator Owens, who put in time with the factory representatives both in Richmond and interior points, and E. M. Downer, who has taken upon himself the arduous undertaking of lining up the San Pablo farmers to contract to raise at least 300 acres of tomatoes as well as other vegetables and fruits. The proposed cannery will employ from 300 to 1000 men, women and girls during seven or eight months of the year. A committee was appointed to close this deal if possible at once, composed of Messrs. Anderson, Wernse, Garrard, Downing and Hulanicki.

PLAYGROUND PROGRESS.

The playground committee reported that the Washington school would be included by the recreation commission in its general plan, and the municipal bath house committee reported that it was quite likely that the recreation commission would also include the public bath house project i nwith the playground and parks.

Short speeches were made by several in favor of the bath house matter and it was pointed out that it would be not only a public convenience but a money-making prospect as well. San Rafael with a similar bath house expended $60,000 upon it and clears an average of $4000 a year profit. John Nicholl has donated the site for this bath house and the site includes the large fresh water well he dug some years ago, which of itself is extremey valuable to a project of this kind.

BUILDING CAMPAIGN.

The building committee reported progress and Richard Spiersch as chairman submitted a letter which the committee desires sent out to all owners of vacant lots in the western section of the city, which letter offers assistance in building houess on such property for rental or sale purposes. The setter was approved and 200 of them ordered mailed to lot owners, resident and non-resident, at once.

The water front boulevard matter was again discussed, and an effort will be made to get C. Hogg, prominent land owner here at the next meeting.

PAINT AND CLEAN UP.

A resolution was passed asking every citizden to clean up his premises and paint his buildings, and Chairman Garrard instructed Secretary Stidham to draw such a resolution and have the same published in the News and send copies to all property owners.

Other routine business was transacted and adjournment taken at 10:30 to two weeks hence.

SPELLING BEE.

The Community Club wils have an old-fashioned spelling bee at their meeting next Tuesday night. There will be a minstrel show in two weeks for the benefit of the baseball teams, which need suits. The Boy Scouts will also be on hand at the meeting two weeks hence.

EIGHT HOURS FOR POWER MEN.

The eight-hour system went into effect at the Hercules Powder Works yesterday. The change affects over 1000 men. Some of them had been working as high as twelve hours a day. There will be no decrease in wages.

Employes of the company who have been on the pay roll for two years receive a bonus of 5 per cent monthly; those on the pay roll five years receive a bonus of 10 per cent; ten years on the pay roll brings to employes a bonus of 15 per nent and fifteen years on the pay roll gives an employe a bonus of 20 per cent.

The employes of the Giant Powder Company are also receiving bonuses of from 10 to 20 per cent. They are about to go upon the eight-hour basis also.

JIM ARNOLD SLATED FOR COUNTY DETECTIVE

A report is out that James Arnold, former chief of police of Richmond, is slated for the appointment of county detective at the hands if District Attorney Johnson.

Recently the grand jury recommended that there should be such an official, and it is said that the district attorney, who is a warm personal friend of Arnold, has decided to name him for the place, which carries with it a nice little salary.

Arnold is secretary of the Richmond Elks and has a host of friends who will be glad should he be named. Arnold ran for sheriff against Veale two years ago and made an excellent showing.

As Police Chief Arnold was a zealous official, and the general impression is that he would be a good man for the place mentioned.

COMPANY B TONIGHT.

There will be a meeting of Company B this evening at Central Hall, Twelfth and Macdonald, when recruits will be examined by Captain Chambers of the medical corps. Captain Grimm urges the members to bring as many recruits as possible, as the full company strength must be mustered in by the end of March. There are now 46 on the roll.

MONEY FOR RICHMOND SCHOOL.

Richmond is apportioned $14,610.24 by County School Superintendent Hanlon, on a basis of 2052 in daily attendance, and $1105 for San Pablo on an attendance of 144.

MISS HELEN WERNSE THE CLASSIC DANCER

Miss Helen Wernse, daughter of H. W. Wernse, the well known realty operator of Richmond and San Francisco, will be o ne of the big attractions for the Charity ball at East Shore Park Saturday night.

Miss Wernse is a pupil of the Wyatt Sisters of San Francisco and her dancing at the metropolis on several large public occasions has created quite a furore. She is exceedingly pretty and graceful and experts have declared her work to be of the highest order.

The music for the occasion will be furnished by a union orchestra, composed of many of the members of the Municipal Band. Ward McRacken of the Lenzen-McRacken orchestra will be the leader.

MARY'S BROTHER AT T-D

Louise Huff and Jack Pickford were so natural in their interpretations of the Booth Tarkington characters in the Famous Players adaptation of "Seventeen" in which they appeared recently on the Paramount program that many thought that they were playing their own characters. It was easy to picture Louise Huff dangling the mere male heart on a string and it was easy to think that Jack Pickford would be intensely annoyed, were his sister Mary a little tot of the bread-and-jam eating variety.

But when these two clever young stars appear at the Richmond theater today and tomorrow in the Famous Players adaptation of Charles Dickens' celebrated novel, "Great Expectations," one will see how really clever both are.

ELKS ENJOY PORK.

The Richmond Elks had a pork feed at their lodge rooms last night. Brother Blanchard furnished the squealer, and the club chef prepared it in the most approved style. Blanchard won the piglet at the Christmas jinks, and has been fattening it up ever since. He says that food prices went up on him until it cost him around $3 a day to keep the porker's hide from wrinkling.

District Deputy Exalted Ruler Ross of San Jose directed the initiatory work and antlers were put on seven new members. A social time followed under the direction of Secretary Arnold, assisted by Fred Lutz, C. K. Parker, R. Dabbiebliss and Walter Imbach.

PLANS FOR APARTMENT HOUSE.

J. B. Ogborn has prepared plans for an apartment house to be erected at Fifteenth and Nevin, for Jules Perdrizat. There will be eight apartments in the structure.

$3 DAILY FOR CITY LABOR.

The minimum wage of $3 a day for all city employes will go into effect March 1st. This is the measure passed at the instigation of Councilman Long. W. L. Lane seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. It is right that they should receive at least $3, and that amount is none too much to live on with spuds at around $5 a sack. It ought to be $4 a day.

PASTOR HITCHCOCK ILL.

Rev. Charles Hitchcock, pastor of Trinity Episcopal church, is suffering with a nervous breakdown, due to overwork. He is at the home of his son, near San Jose. During his absence Rev. Davis of Berkeley will be in charge of the local pastorate.

ORGANIZED LABOR IN FOOD SUPPLY PROBE

Goaded to action by astounding revelations of its members who, dispassionately told of storehouses bulging with the necessities of life, potatoes still hoarded in the ground that grew them, and the machinations of the baneful middlemen and market manipulators, the Central Labor Counril of Alameda county in an extended session Monday night, at which all else was put aside, passed remedial measures.

A resolution was passed calling on President Wilson and the members of Congress to immediatlly put an embargo on the exportation of all foodstuffs.

A committee, the identity of the members of which is kept secret, was appointed and given full power to act in local conditions.

It was o ne of the most momentous meetings the men of toil from all sections of the county had ever held, and was prolific of the reports of those whose daily work throws them into contact with the real situation regarding the high cost of living.

The scalers of weights and measures took a census of the San Francisco warehouses and found approximately $5,000,000 worth of foodstuffs, including 250,000 sacks of potatoes, 14,000 sacks of onions, 265,000 sacks of small white beans, 16,000 half barrels of flour and 50,000 cases of canned goods.

BENEFIT RAILWAY WHIST.

There will be a benefit whist party under the auspices of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen at W. O. W. hall Saturday night. Tickets will be 25 cents, and refreshments will be served. The committee: G. A. Ripley (chairman), B. E. Black and F. W. Spinney. A $1.50 merchandise order will be given as a prize for every third table.

CUBS VS. ELKS.

Plans are being completed for the baseball game to ge played here on March 13 between the famous Elks of this city and the Chicago Cubs. The Chamber of Commerce will give financial aid to the project to help cut the guarantee. Charley Friene, an ex-leaguer, is rounding into shape to do the work on the mound.

THE MILK'S ALL RIGHT.

Of eightene samples of milk examined by Health Officer Blake, seventeen were found to be above the required average in fat content, and one below. The one below came from the Dewey restaurant.

WEATHER.

Fair Wednesday; light northerly wind.

LACONIA SINKING INVITES UNITED STATES TO WAR

Lansing Says it is a Clear Case and that No Investigation is Necessary—Americans Suffer Death in the Sinking

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The sinking of the Laconia, according to highest official interpretation, is "a clear cut case."

No investigation is necessary.

This became known as the administration attitude following a conference at the White House between Secretary Lansing and President Wilson.

Evidence now in hand presumably contained in cable dispatches from American representatives aboard, it was stated, eliminates any necessity for further investigation.

The Laconia incident—what shall be done and how it shall be done—is altogether in the hands of President Wilson.

Any decision, it was flatly stated, must come from him.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Afternoon newspapers comment today agreed that if the death of Mrs. and Moy Hoy was definitely established, the torpedoing of the Laconia must be construed as an "overt act" by President Wilson. Later consular advices established their loss.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—Mrs. Albert H. Hoy, wife of Dr. Albert H. Hoy of London, and daughter, Elizabeth, who are reported to have been drowned when the Cunarder Laconia was torpedoed, were prominent in Chicago society.

ALL PASSENGERS KILLED.

ALTOONA, Pa., Feb. 27.—Every passenger, nineteen in all, in the Pullman sleeper Bellwood, was killed this morning when the Mercantile Express on the Pennsylvania Railroad, which had stopped at Mount Union for minor repairs to the brakes, was run into by a fast freight train.

LOCAL LABOR UNIONS IN MASS MEETING TONIGHT

There will be a meeting tonight at Polytechnic hall, Labor Temple, of members of the local labor unions, to discuss laws now before the legislature affecting labor. The meeting has been called by J. C. Leber, secretary of Contra Costa Labor Council.

The purpose of the meeting is manifest to any thinking person. There are proposed statutes beford the state law makers designed to be of benefit to organized labor, and others whish are designed to hamper organized labor. At the meeting tonight all there proposed statutes will be taken up and discussed thoroughly. Quite naturally, the laboring men will take available steps to have passed the laws which are of benefit to the cause they espouse, and they will also move against the laws designed to disrupt them. And it is right that they should.

The News hopes that every man who belongs to any union will be present at tonight's meeting.

Local organized labor, thankfully, appears to be made up of thinking, conservative men, who have not only their own welfare, but the welfare of the community at heart.

The best proof of this fact is that while San Francisco is seldom without some sort of a labor squabble, and other communities around the state, such as Crockett, Stockton and some of the refineries and innumerable other places have had tehir labor troubles, Richmond has been singularly free from strife due to labor difficulties.

All this is due to the fact that the affairs of organized labor in Richmond are in the hands of men who believe that the best way to settle anything is to settle it quietly between the parties at interest, without any noise or fuss.

And that is why organized labor in Richmond stands so well with the public; that is why organized labor in Richmond has the respect and esteem and the confidence of those who pay the wages to the toilers. In some places the walking delegates seem to act under the belief that unless they can keep things stirred up they will lose their jobs. In Richmond the contrary is the case; the walking delegates believe that the longer they can keep honorable peace the longer their jobs will last.

There will be a whist party on Wednesday night at Pulse hall. Score cards 50 cents.

CLUB MENDELSSOHN

The Club Mendelssohn will meet Thursday, March 1, at the home of Mrs. J. Gerlach, 217 Washington avenue. The topic for discussion is to be patriotic music. The program is as follows: Ladies' trio, "Hail Columbia"; reading, selected, Mrs. F. E. Adams; talk on patriotic music and authors, Mrs. Wm. A. Walker; vocal solo, selected, Mrs. E. M. Ferguson; current events.

There was a large attendance at the Guild at the home of Mrs. P. C. Campbell yesterday. The ladies planned for Lenten work to make aprons to be offered for sale at Easter time. The next meeting of the Guild will be on Auesday next at the home of Mrs. Scroggins on Florida street.

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Editorial Comment

TIME FOR DRASTIC MEASURES.

Ever since coming to California this writer has been hammering away editorially against the food trusts, which fatten and flourish and rob the people in this state, and that is all the good it has done, unless, maybe, it has helped some toward arousing public thought.

For years we have told of the nefarious fish trust that throws its slime and fins and scales and smell all over northern California from the hills and vales of San Francisco. We have told time and again of the wholesale grocery trust over there, of the cold storage pirates who buy up all the available supply when prices are low, and then hold on to it like grim death until they succeed in forcing up prices a hundred per cent or more beyond what they should be. We have gone personally to see the United States district attorney, the state attorney and the state market commissioner, and obtained a lot of hot air from each, and the glad hand, and invitations to call again, and assurances that the complaints would receive attention at once, and other bunk usually handed out by politicians who are drawing down big salaries from the people they do not serve, but oftimes help to victimize.

We have read the legislative proceedings of the California Assembly for years with much interest, and looked in vain for any measure calculated to give relief to the people from being skinned, scalped and hamstrung effectively and everlastingly by these food trusts right here in our midst, and found there not. We have perused yards, columns, pages and miles of flapdoodle and damfoolism introduced by alleged statesmen who ought to be pitching hay in the fields or tamping ties on a railroad section instead of misrepresenting an intelligent public in the marble halls of the State Capitol. We have waded through innumerable bills to make bed sheets nine feet long, kill off meadowlarks, prohibit smoking cigarettes and making it a felony to wink at a pretty girl with the right eye instead of the left eye, but none of the whole bunch has ever had the nerve, the ability, the desire or the manhood to introduce a bill in the Legislature and work for its passage that would in any way curtail the devilish greed and un-American and illegal thievery of the unprincipled speculators who corner markets, destroy good food to make it scarce and then trade upon the pinched stomachs of a hungry people to line their pockets with dishonest gold.

Why don't the men from Contra Costa county, or any other county, start something like that going, and then make it stick, or expose the reasons why it does not go through? We would not take a legislative job if handed in on a silver plate, having had some experience along those lines, but, believe us, folks, if we were in the Assembly we should make a noise alng these lines that would be heard from Siskiyou county to San Diego, and from the Nevada line to the Golden Gate, and kick up a stink that would smell to high heaven.

A bill is now being rushed through the New York Legislature giving authority for the seizure by the state of all supplies held in cold storage there for the purpose of creating oppressive values, and to put the same on the market at reasonable prics.

Why is not such a measure up in the California Assembly? The same conditions prevail here as in the East, or elsewhere, only to a smaller degree, owing to a smaller population.

And the bay breezes sigh, and echo answers, Why?

Editor White of the Walnut Creek Courier, after reciting that eight billion dollars worth of gold has been mined in the world in the last twenty-five years, wishes it were all his. Wonder what brand of nerve tonic that man uses?

It is the proper caper to give up some practice during Lent. We are giving up lending money to strangers.

Eat an onion and let folks smell your breath, and they'll know you are rich.

Walnut Creek proposes to form a water district and put in its own water supply. Sensible people.

The Walnut Creek Courier appears to be about the only sensible paper in the county, outside of Richmond, of course. It says if Richmond wants to withdraw from the county, let 'er withdraw. Then it quotes a lot of prominent men up there who think the same. Bro. Courier, we salute you! You're wise beyond your years.

If a man wants to own land in this good country, let him take out naturalization papers and become a citizen, and if he does not think well enough of the country to become a citizen of it and conform to the same rules and laws as other citizens, then let him get out, and the quicker the better.

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Mabel Taliaferro, the well-known theatrical star, is soon to be seen in the photoplay, "The Three of Us."

"I never realized," she said, "how big a thing picture acting could become until I began to rehearse. But eventually I think that the screen drama will greatly improve and the small picture will go out of fashion."

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

State and County Taxes for the Fiscal Year 1916-1917.

Office of the Collector of State and County Taxes, Martinez.

Notice is hereby given that I have received rom the Auditor of Contra Costa county the Duplicate assessment book for the fiscal year 1916-1917, and

That the taxes on all personal property secured by real property, and one-half of the taxes on real property, will be due and payable on the

Third Monday in October, 1916,

and will be delinquent on the first Monday in December next thereafter, at six o'clock p.m., and that unless paid prior thereto fifteen per cent will be added to the amount thereof, and that if said one-half be not paid before the

Last Monday in April, 1917,

at six o'clock p. m., an additional five per cent will be added thereto. The remaining one-half of the taxes on all real property will be payable on and after the

First Monday in January, 1917,

and will be delinquent on the

Last Monday in April,

next thereafter, at six o'clock p. m., and unless paid prior thereto, five per cent will be added to the amount thereof.

That all taxes may be paid at the time the first installment, as herein provided, is due and payable.

That payment of taxes must be made at the office of the Tax Collector, in the town of Martinez.

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An old man's darling is sometimes himself.

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Greed for gold on the part of munition manufacturers and food trusts is more to blame for trouble between this country and Germany than all other causes put together. An embargo should have been placed on their contraband wares long ago.

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Some men are like dogs, in that they do very little and puff and pant a good deal over it.

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Many young men walk twenty miles around a pool table in a day who complain bitterly when Mother wants them to split up a few armsful of kindling wood.

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There is one blessed satisfaction in a man living his own life—there is no scandal attached to it.

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Time flies so quickly that by the time a girl tires of dolls she has a real baby to play with.

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There appears to be a difference between plain sailing and aeroplane sailing.

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A tough woman looks tougher than a tough man.

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It is wise to keep a secret, and still wiser to have none to keep.

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The most stylishly dressed men are the Willies who earn about $10 a week. Presidents of banks or trust magnates are not in it with them on style.

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Many of we older fellows who used to have a number of love affairs on our minds are finding now that we are losing our minds.

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That the names in full and places of residence of all the members of such partnership so transacting business as aforesaid, are as follows:

CHARLES S. RENWICK, Richmond, California.

J. E. ROACH, Richmond, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto subscribed our names this 25th day of January, 1917.

CHARLES S. RENWICK.
J. E. ROACH.

State of California,
County of Contra Costa—ss.

On this 25th day of January, 1917 before me, E. E. CURTIS, a Notary Public in and for said County of Contra Costa, personally appeared Charles S. Renwick and J. E. Roach known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and they acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at my office in the County of Contra Costa, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

E. E. CURTIS,
(Seal) Notary Public in and for the County of Contra Costa, State of California.

(Endorsed): Filed in the office of the County Clerk of the County of Contra Costa, State of California, this 26th day of January, 1917.

J. H. WELLS,
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The Daredevil

By Maria Thompson Daviess
Author of "The Melting of Molly"

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SYNOPSIS

Roberta, an orphan, half French, half American, starting for America to stay with an uncle, meets Count de Lasselles crossing to secure mules for France.

By a mistake, Roberta's uncle believes she is a nephew. Knowing him to be a woman hater, Roberta adopts man's attire.

Her uncle, General Carruthers, informs his supposed nephew that he needs his knowledge of French to straighten out a deal for providing mules for France. The governor's honor is involved in the mule deal.

Roberta pledges her aid and is introduced to Governor Faulkner and to his private secretary, Buzz Glendenning.

Mrs. Jeff Whitworth is deep in the mule scheme with her husband and endeavoring to get the governor's signature to the transaction.

Roberta accompanies the governor to the state prison, where he wishes to see a murderer. The latter attacks the governor, and Roberta deflects the blow.

Roberta discovers that the murderer has killed his man in defending a woman. She secures a statement from the woman.

CHAPTER XII.

"Immediately I Come to You!"

AND so the time passed until the morning upon which the same railroad train which had brought young Robert Carruthers down into the valley home of his forefathers, arrived with yet another son of France and his secretaries and servants. All were in attendance at the station of arrival, from the secretary of state, the General Carruthers, who in his large car was to take the Count de Bourdon to the gouverneur's mansion for immediate introduction, down to good Cato in a very new gray coat and a quite shiny black hat.

I heard the great railway train approaching, which was perhaps to bring me my dishonor, and I drew those tears back into my heart and stepped forward to the steps of the car, from which I could see a very slight and short but very distinguished looking Frenchman about to descend.

"I thank the good God I have never before encountered him," I said in my heart as I stood in front of him.

"Lieutenant the Count de Bourdon, I make you welcome to the state of Harpeth, in the name of my uncle, the secretary of that state," I said to him in the language of his own country as I clapped together my heels and gave to him the bow from the waist of a French gentleman who is not a soldier. "Will you permit that I lead you to that uncle?"

"Many thanks, monsieur, is it Carruthers I name you after your distinguished relative?" he made answer to me as he returned my bow with first one of its kidd and then a military salute.

"Robert Carruthers, sir, and at your service," I made answer to him with a great formality. And as I spoke I saw that he gave me a glance of great curiosity and would have asked a question, but at that moment my uncle, the General Robert, stood beside us.

"I present to you the General Carruthers, secretary of the state of Harpeth, Monsieur the Lieutenant Count de Bourdon of the Forty-fourth chasseurs of the republic of France." I said with again a great ceremony and a very deep bow.

"I'm mighty glad to welcome you to old Harpeth, count. How did you make the trip down?" said my uncle, the General Robert, as he held out his large and beautiful old hand and gave to the Count Edouard de Bourdon such a clasp that must have been to him most painful.

"I thank you, monsieur the secretary of Harpeth; my journey was of great pleasure and comfort," were the words which he returned in very nice English.

"Then we'll go right up and see Governor Faulkner at the capitol before lunch, count, if that suits you," my uncle, the General Robert, said with a very evident relief at those words of English coming from that French mouth. "Here's my car over this way and this is Mr. Clendenning, who'll look after the rest of the gentlemen in your party and bring them on up to the capitol."

"Monsieur," said the Lieutenant Count de Bourdon, with another bow and then a quick recovery as he saw that he must take the hand of Buzz, held out to him in great cordiality. These handshakes of America are very confusing to those of Europe.

I saw a great laughter almost to explosion in the eyes of my Buzz at the very little man who had such a great manner, and I made a hurrying of him and my uncle, the General Robert, to the large car standing beside the station.

"I will precede you in my cherry," I said, as I saw both the gentlemen seated together upon the back seat of the large black machine.

"No you don't; you take your seat right in here with us to be on hand if any bridge of this international conversation breaks down under the count and me," answered my uncle, the General Robert, with stern command.

"Is it that the young M. Carruther had an education in France?" asked the lieutenant, the Count de Bourdon. "He has the air of French—shall I say youth?" And as he spoke again I saw a gleam of deeply aroused interest in his eyes which made my knees to tremble in their tweed trousers.

"Born there; son of my brother, who died at the Marne," made answer to the question my uncle, the General Robert.

"It is now that I make a remembrance. That Capitaine Carruthers was the husband to the very beautiful Marquise de Grez and Bye. In her youth I was her friend. I did not know"— But as the Lieutenant the Count de Bourdon was making this discovery, which sent a thrill of fear into the toes of my very shoes, the car stopped at the main entrance of the capitol, and halfway down the long flight of steps stood his excellency the great Gouverneur Faulkner of the state of Harpeth waiting to receive the guest who came on a mission to him from a great land across the waters. Until I die and even into a space beyond that I shall take that picture of magnificence which was made by my beloved Gouverneur Faulkner as he stood in the May sunlight with his bronze hair in a gleaming. I thought him to be a great statue of Succor as he held out both of his strong hands to the smaller man who had come from a stricken land for his help.

"Le bon Dieu keep of his heart a friend of France," I prayed as I watched those hands clasp as my uncle, the General Robert, made the introduction.

And all the long hours of that long day were as dreams of sadness and fear to me as I went about the many duties of entertainment laid upon me. At luncheon at that club of Old Hickory I sat opposite the small Frenchman who sat on the right hand of my Gouverneur Faulkner, and opposite to me sat my uncle, the General Robert. No business was in discussion at that time, but I could see those eyes of French shrewdness make a darting from one face to another, and ever they came back to me with a great puzzle, which gave to me terrible fear. To all the plans for his entertainment he gave an assent of delight, and for that two days' journey down into the grazing lands of the Harpeth valley he had a great eagerness until told that it was to be undertaken upon the morrow.

"Is it not that we will be occupied on the morning of tomorrow with the signing of those papers of importance, your excellency?" he asked, with a grave annoyance which was under a fine control.

"The secretary of state, General Carruthers, and I think it will be best that you see the grazing lands of Harpeth and some of the mules being put into condition before the signing of the contracts," was what was "handed out to him," as my Buzz would have expressed it, by my Gouverneur Faulkner with a great courtesy and kindliness as he helped himself to some excellent chicken prepared in a fry. I could see a great start of alarm come into the eyes of that small Lieutenant the Count de Bourdon at those calm words, but he gave not a sign of it. In my heart was a great hope that something had been discovered for the protection of my soldiers of France, and I also took to myself a portion of that excellent chicken and did make the attempt to consume it as I beheld all of those great gentlemen performing. I believe that under excitement men possess a much greater calmness of appetite than do women.

"M. le Gouverneur, it is not necessary that I behold those lands and those mules. The signature of the great gouverneur of the state of Harpeth will make a mule to grow from a desert in the eyes of the French government," he said, with a smile of great charm spreading over his very small countenance.

(To be continued.)

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that copies of the proposed charter for the City of Richmond, prepared by the Board of Freeholders elected for that purpose, and filed in the office of the undersigned, may be had upon application therefor at the office of the undersigned, Clerk of the City of Richmond, in the City Hall of said City of Richmond.

(Seal.) A. C. FARIS,
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LIVE LOCAL LACONICS WITH SANDPAPER EDGES

By the OLD MAN.

H. W. Wernse dropped in last evening. As secretary of the Industrial Commission he admitted that the News editorial about Richmond's losing factories was right, and maybe not strong enough. He thinks the prime cause is lack of co-operation between the various boost bodies and lack of the same among the memberships of each. And he said something that time, too. As soon as a factory shows up and its projectors look at a site, fourteen other people try to drag it away from that site and get it over on their particular site, knocking each other. In Oakland they all pull together and realize that no matter where it goes it is good, just so long as it goes anywhere in Oakland.

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Yank those pillars out of the subway and substitute girders. It is a wonder people have not been killed in that hole long ago, and some day the city will have a $100,000 damage bill to pay.

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You can smoke on the cars if you want to, just so you go outside to spit.

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We are all glad to see the city government of San Francisco finally sit up and take notice of the robbery going on by the food trusts over there. Now remedy the evil, and remedy it with a club if necessary. Some day the people will rise up in mobs and kill a lot of pirates around this bay, the same as the French served the so-called nobility that laughed while the common masses starved.

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We have the back yard at this office spaded up, but are thinking of planting spuds and onions instead of roses and violets.

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The clerks are complaining that people do extra work at the stores evenings on pay nights who already have good jobs. The complaint seems valid, but on the other hand, the merchants claim that they have to take anybody they can get, and often there are no regular clerks available for extra jobs of the kind. Get together.

The First National Bank's ad in this paper caused a riot, and Vonce had to hide out, while Crary had to buy oodles of cigars at the Elks club. Who says people don't read News ads?

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Supt. Sutherland of the P. G. & E. Co. went over to S. F. on business, but found his better half there and so didn't get home till 2 a. m., just in time to get caught by the News night man. He pleaded picture show in extenuation.

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That was some meeting over at the Point last night, all right, and standing room was at a premium. It is good to see the dear old Point folks wake up the way they are doing and get such a move on. They will accomplish a whole lot this year for that section of the city.

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This scribe reported good progress on the woman's club building which he is working upon, and that he had secured from the Pt. Richmond Canal and Land Co. a free donation of lots for the same, which was confirmed by Secretary Wernse, who was present.

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Most everybody was on hand at the boost meeting on the west side last night except Stiefvater, McWhorter and Elsie, and they were each fined one spud and one onion each, the same to enrich the club treasury. Vic Fenner and Pat Dean also failed to materialize.

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The example of the Point in having a general clean-up and a movement to paint all the business houses and dwellings, might well be emulated by every other section of the city.

DISTRICT DELEGATES.

The joint district initiation of the Y. M. I. and Y. L. I. of the counties this side of the bay will be held at Berkeley April 15. The members selected from the Richmond Y. L. I. to fill offices at the district initiation are Mrs. M. Gately, Miss Jewell O'Rourke and Florence T. Tavalora.

The Boosters' Club of the district are to pay their tribute to Richmond on March 14, when a joint meeting of the local Y. M. I. and Y. L. I. will be held in College hall to welcome them.

THINGS GIBBONS THINKS.

Richmond, Cal., Feb. 25, 1917.

Editor Daily News: Accept my hearty congratulations. As a watcher of the passing show, praise-giving suits me better than fault-finding—as you very well know. Some of us working stiffs do a bit of thinking (or something we call that) on Sunday, in consequence of which the dead center shot you made in commenting on Rev. Linder's address shows up as a fine hit. With what exquisite precision you aimed your piece in the opposite direction from Linder's target and hit your mark in the south as squarely as he had his in the north! Mr. Linder affirmed the great fundamental fact that "The common good must be first." And you go on to say: "That is very true. It is just what I have been saying for a long time. The common good must be second."

The benevolence that refuses to function till it is liable to indictment as compounding a felony, is not benevolence, but a mistaken view of fire insurance. To make the common good first means to depend for our own suppy on the means we consent to for the suppying of the puble. To insist on having something ourselves not open to the others on the same terms is to make privileged classes. Private yachts, private cars, private life boats, private patents, private fortunes, any and all means of income from ownership are in the same category. They all mean "me and mine first." The idea that the individual can be saved, can rise, can prosper apart from the race is the basis of anarchy, of religion, of capitalism. "Each for all and all for each" is the basis and program of the civilization that is coming and the kings, capitalists and aristocrats who will not accept it must be deprived of their power to prevent the common good.

Of course.

O. J. GIBBONS.

Mrs. S. R. Curry, Harry Curry and Miss Janice Curry motored to Livermore via the tunnel road on Sunday last.

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The Ladies' Aid of the First Baptist church will meet today at the home of Mrs. R. G. Lee on Idaho street.

GENTLE-VOICED "LADY LAWYER" IS TERROR TO CRIMINALS.

MRS VAN-LEUVAN

When the burly burglar and the nimble porch climber are brought into court in Muskogee, Okla., these days, the prosecutor they face is a gentle-voiced, fluffy-haired young woman—Mrs. Keith eryn Van Leuvan, assistant county attorney of Nowata county.

Mrs. Van Leuvan didn't use political pull to get her office—she's one of the best lawyers in Nowata county, the daughter of a lawyer, the wife of a lawyer, and she got her appointment on merit as a lawyer. Mrs. Van Leuvan is her husband's partner in the law firm of Van Leuvan & Van Leuvan.

COMEDY BILL AT POINT

There will be an hour and a half of comedy at the Point theater today. The bill includes "Doctoring a Leak," Reel Life No. 20, and "Double-Crossing the Dean." This is the funniest bill that could be got together, and all who attend will enjoy the offering. The last named is a two-reel Nestor feature comedy, with Eddie Lyons and Lee Moran, who are taken to a ladies' seminary to seek feminine companionships. Their endeavors to outwit the dean furnish the fun.

NEWS FROM THE POINT

Mrs. W. E. Henry went to S. F. Monday to attend the funeral of Oscar Stormfield, an old friend of the Henrys, who was struck by an automobile during Saturday's storm and killed instantly.

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Mrs. A. P. Tyler spent Monday visiting friends at the Point.

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Jack Simon, who pioneered at Pt. Richmond, was a visitor here yesterday.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the Council of the City of Richmond, at the office of the undersigned Clerk of the City of Richmond, up to the hour of 8:00 o'clock p. m. of Monday, the 13th day of March, 1917, for the purchase, for not less than par and accrued interest, of "Improvement Bonds," numbered 1 to 89 inclusive, of the par value of Twenty-four Thousand Five Hundred Forty-six Dollars and Sixty Cents ($24,546.60), bearing interest at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum, on and after the 19th day of February, 1917, issued under and pursuant to Resolution of Intention No. 255-4, for the improvement of a portion of San Pablo Avenue, which said resolution contained the following: "And notice is hereby given that serial bonds to represent unpaid assessments, and bear interest at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum, will be issued hereunder in the manner provided by the Improvement Bond Act of 1915, the last installment of which bonds shall mature five (5) years from the second day of July next succeeding nine months from their date."

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check for not less than ten (10) per cent of the total amount of such bid.

The Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Dated this 20th day of February, 1917.

(Seal) A. C. PARIS,
Clerk of the City of Richmond.
Published Feb. 23-28, Mar. 3.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE County of Tuolumne, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Chas. Fiarmucci, sometimes known as Charley Fiamucci, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given, that in pursuance of an order of the Superior Court of Tuolumne County, State of California, made on the 13th day of February, 1917, in the matter of said estate, the undersigned administrator of said estate will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash gold coin of the United States, and subject to confirmation by said Court, on SATURDAY, the 24th DAY OF MARCH, 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m. at the front door of the Court House in Sonora, Tuolumne County, California, all the right, title, interest of said estate of said deceased, at the time of his death, and all the right, title and interest that the said estate, by operation of law or otherwise, acquired other than or in addition to, that of the said deceased at the time of his death, in and to that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate in the County of Contra Costa, California, bounded and described as follows, to wit: All of lot two (2), block nine (9), of Martha Washington tract, of Richmond, in said Contra Costa County, California, as per official map of said lot and block, on file in the County Recorder's office of said Contra Costa County, with all improvements thereon.

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